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Ambassador's Statement on King Abdullah's 9th Baya'a



I would like to express my warmest congratulations and best wishes to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz, on the ninth anniversary of his ascension to the throne. King Abdullah, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate you and the Saudi people on this wonderful and joyous occasion.

King Abdullah, under your leadership the enduring and strategic ties between the United States and Saudi Arabia have continued to deepen. Our two nations are working together to confront regional challenges such as Syria, Iran, Egypt, and Yemen, even as we pursue Middle East peace. Both of our nations act to bring stability to global energy markets. And we welcome the tens of thousands of young Saudis studying in the U.S. We commend you for your far-sighted leadership of the Kingdom and look forward to continuing our cooperation for the benefit of both the American and Saudi people.

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